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POLYMERS IN HOT-MELT ADHESIVE COMPOSITIONS

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UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)**

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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and §§ 1.97-1.98, the references listed and identified on the attached Forms PTO/SB08A and/or SB08B are being submitted herewith for consideration by the Examiner. This statement is being filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

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Respectfully submitted,

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Sir or Madam:

I, Markus Ege, associated with the preparation and prosecution of the above-identified application, residing at Kleinhaderner Straße 15, 80689 München, Germany, wish to call the attention of the Patent Examiner to the references enumerated on the enclosed PTO Form-1449.

I believe the documents enumerated on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 and attached thereto, are cited in the enclosed International Search Report and may be material to the examination of the application.

Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the foregoing Information Disclosure Statement be considered by the Examiner and incorporated into the file of this application.

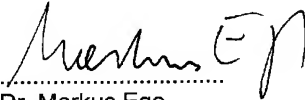
I wish to comment as follows concerning the prior art references enumerated on PTO Form-1449:

JP 2003-3140, cited in the application, the corresponding Patbase abstract in English language is enclosed.

JP 62-43477, cited in the International Search Report, the corresponding Patbase abstract in English language is enclosed.

JP 2001-220563, cited in the application, the corresponding Patbase abstract in English language is enclosed.

Signed this            day of September, 2006.

  
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Dr. Markus Ege